

March 12, 2021

Hon. Members of the Planning and Development Committee

Re: House Bill 6107,

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REORGANIZATION OF THE ZONING ENABLING ACT AND THE PROMOTION OF MUNICIPAL COMPLIANCE

Dear Chairs and members of the Planning and Development Committee:

On behalf of the **Connecticut Association of Zoning Enforcement Officials** (CAZEO), we are writing to you to express our support for the concepts raised in this Bill.

The reorganization of CGS 8-2 is long overdue and the desire to remove regulatory barriers that have hindered the development of more affordable and inclusive communities in Connecticut is valid. The formation of a working group to create model regulations for communities could help implement this goal. We are supportive of these concepts raised in this bill but feel that Senate Bill 1024 is more robust and should be considered in its place.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony and your attention to this matter.

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About US:

CAZEO was formed in 1979 to bring professionalism and integrity to the Land Use process and we strive to hold our members to such standards. CAZEO is a professional organization representing individuals employed as Zoning Enforcement Officers throughout the State of Connecticut. Currently, CAZEO has over 200 members representing over 140 communities throughout the State.